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Headlines

- **The Border Guard Service of Ukraine (BGSU) experiences difficulties controlling migration processes**

A border guard on condition of anonymity informed the SMM that the BGSU focuses on searching for separatists and Russian commandos as well as stopping Russian provocations. Another main task is the fight against Islamic State of Iraq and Greater Syria and other terror organizations. However, Ukrainian law authorities are incapable of fully controlling migration processes, and, in his words, terrorists may use the territory of Ukraine to move their fighters to the EU. Furthermore, some of them stay in Ukraine and undertake attempts to legalize their presence. Unlike the citizens of Central Asia countries and Russia, the citizens of Turkey are cut serious slack on political grounds while passing the border control.

- **Mykolaiv businessmen are anxious about the mayor's decision to collect funds for Samopomich**

The SMM spoke with the Head of Volunteer Council under Ukrainian Ministry of Defense David Arahamia. He reported that the events in Mykolaiv region with the participation of police officers demonstrate that the vertical structure built by the minister A. Avakov has fully discredited itself. MIA isn't able to fulfill its law enforcement functions. According to him, the entrepreneurs of Mykolaiv seriously disapprove of A. Senkevych's decision to make businesses pay fees to 'Mykolaiv Sustainable Development Fund'. The proposal has been negatively perceived and viewed by local businessmen as a clever way to collect money for Samopomich under the cover of social activities. The same scheme was used earlier with 'Mykolaiv 2000 Fund'.

Follow-up

The SMM will continue to monitor the situation at the ABLCPs.

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